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application of

KAYYEM et al.

Serial No. 10/697,908

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Containing Biosensors

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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants have considered the Office Action mailed 10 August 2004 and offer the following amendments and remarks. Accompanying this Amendment is a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR §1.136(a), containing a provision for payment of the appropriate fee, extending the period for response by two months, to and including 10 January 2004, thus making it a timely response. Although the Applicants do not believe any additional fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (File No. 463037-00292; Docket No.: A-67499-2). Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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